LESSONS FROM A SORCERER

Scripture Reading: Acts 8:18-23

Introduction:
1. No one is flawless. We all have imperfections to work through.
2. Simon the Sorcerer sinned and fell short of the glory of God.
3. From Simon the sorcerer we learn…

I. SALVATION IS FOR EVERYONE
   A. UNDER THE OLD LAW
      1. Sorcerers were to be put to death – De 18:9-14
      2. Under the NT they are to be converted
   
   B. WE DESIRE ALL TO BE SAVED
      1. Ministry of reconciliation - 2Co 5:18-21
      2. Treasure in earthen vessels - 2Co 4:7

II. HE SINNED AS A CHRISTIAN
   A. OLD HABITS ARE HARD TO BREAK
   
   B. SATAN STILL PULLS ON US
      1. Like a roaring lion - 1Pe 5:8
      2. Evil companions - 1Co 15:33

III. HE NEEDED TO REPENT
   A. WALKING IN THE LIGHT - 1Jn 1:7
      1. Continual cleansing for those in the Light
      2. This disproves the “Once saved; always saved” doctrine
   
   B. PETER’S WARNING
      1. Done in truth and in love – Ga 6:1, Ep 4:15
      2. He snatched Simon from the fire – Ju 23

Conclusion:
1. We realize that no one is perfect. We all have fundamentals to work on.
2. We all need the cleansing blood of Jesus in our daily walk with Him.